



**CITY OF LODI  
COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

**AGENDA TITLE:** Adopt Resolution Approving Application for Transportation Planning Grant from the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)  
**MEETING DATE:** October 5, 2005  
**PREPARED BY:** Public Works Director

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** That the City Council adopt a resolution approving the application for a Transportation Planning Grant from the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for the Railroad Corridor Transit Oriented Development Plan.

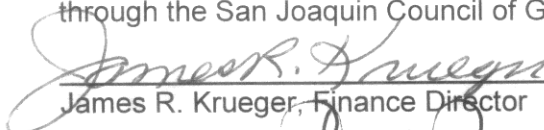
**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** One of the goals of the City is to deliver projects that benefit the City and enhance the Community. Grant programs are a beneficial step in achieving that goal. The planning grant, if approved, will supplement staff's efforts to develop context-sensitive plans and will aid in building community support by providing financial resources to conduct community planning meetings. It is expected the grant request will not exceed \$75,000. Caltrans is providing these grants as an opportunity to promote public involvement by diverse and underserved communities in the transportation planning process while improving mobility, access, equity and quality of life. Additionally, Caltrans is looking for projects which encourage community involvement and partnership. The Railroad Corridor Transit Oriented Development Plan would look to encourage residential development Downtown, develop incentives to encourage transit ridership, and enhance Downtown revitalization.

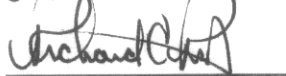
There are a number of reasons that planning for residential development in the vicinity of the train station is prudent. Between the San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission and the San Joaquin COG, commuter rail service between Stockton and Sacramento is currently in the exploratory stage. In accordance with the Downtown Lodi Revitalization Program, the City has spent public funds to enhance the train station to stimulate private investment. The State of California is interested in funding housing around transit stations (also known as Transit Oriented Development – TOD). Studies have shown the utilization of rail commuter transit increases dramatically the closer housing is to a rail station.

If the City grant application is successful, staff will return to the City Council for final approval.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** By utilizing grant funds, the City will be able to plan for further development in the Downtown core and introduce mixed-use housing.

**FUNDING AVAILABLE:** The grant requests a local match. The local match (10%) will be provided by utilizing Transportation Development Act funds, Measure K funds through the San Joaquin Council of Governments, or other street funds.

  
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**APPROVED:**   
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RESOLUTION NO. 2005-210

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING  
THE APPLICATION FOR TRANSPORTATION PLANNING GRANT  
FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION (CALTRANS)

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council hereby approves the application for a Transportation Planning Grant from the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for the Railroad Corridor Transit Oriented Development Plan.

Dated: October 5, 2005

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2005-210 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held October 5, 2005, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hansen, Johnson, Mounce, and  
Mayor Beckman

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hitchcock

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None



SUSAN J. BLACKSTON  
City Clerk